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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Broadband Industry Practices (WC Docket No. 07-52)

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

As a state legislator representing a district that includes a college town and many rural families, I am amazed at the rapid adoption by my constituents of wireless phones and high-speed Internet. It seems everybody and anybody, regardless of age, education or occupation, is intent on staying connected.

When a more sophisticated phone is introduced or a local broadband provider rolls out a faster network connection, people are quick to grab it. If someone doesn't like the service they're getting, they seem to quickly jump to another company. There is no shortage of competition and choice.

Innovation and choice are hallmarks of a competitive business environment, and the Internet and wireless markets seem to be just that. This is why I am puzzled about the FCC proposing to add new "net neutrality" regulations to these industries.

The Internet market is doing very well under current FCC principles, thus it is difficult to understand why the federal government should regulate the Internet this way. For the FCC, the appropriate course would be to not take any steps except to help remove any roadblocks standing between the industry and 100% broadband availability for all Americans.

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In recent years, communication companies in Arkansas have invested many millions of dollars in their networks, adding services and creating new jobs. I would hate to see this change due to unnecessary federal regulations on an industry that is doing exceptionally well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David Wyatt". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

David Wyatt
State Senator
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